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AUTOIMMUNE DISEASES AND INSULIN  
DEPENDENT DIABETES MELLITUS IN  
PARTICULAR

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**In the specification:**

On page 1, immediately after the title of the invention, insert the cross  
reference to related application section.

At page 20, please amend the Abstract.

**In the claims:**

Please cancel claims 1, 5, and 16, amend claims 2-4, 6, and 9-15, and add new  
claims 17-19 as follows before calculating the filing fee for the above-identified  
application.